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Tablecloth In Crochet

(As Shown On Front Cover)

When the occasion calls for a celebration, a dinner cloth of lacy crochet starts off the festivities in a gracious manner. Here is a beautiful cloth made up of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch flower-like motifs; completed cloth measures about 58×78 inches. The model was made from 25 balls of ecru Clark's Big Ball Mercerized Crochet, size 30. Use a number 10 steel crochet hook. This motif could become a buffet or luncheon set too.

Abbreviations:

ch (chain) rnd (round)
sl st (slip stitch) lp (loop)
dc (double crochet) tr (treble)
sc (single crochet) dtr (double treble)
First Motif—Starting at center, ch
12, join with sl st to form ring.

Rnd 1: Ch 3 (counts as 1 dc), make 31 dc in ring. Join with sl st in top of ch 3 first made.

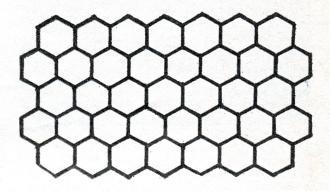
Rnd 2: Ch 3, dc in each of next 3 dc, * ch 9, dc in each of next 4 dc, repeat from * around, ending with ch 9, sl st in top of ch 3,

Rnd 3: Ch 4, holding back on hook the last lp of each tr, make tr in each of next 3 dc, thread over and draw through all lps on hook, * ch 10, sc in next lp, ch 10, holding back on hook the last lp of each tr, make tr in each of next 4 dc, thread over and draw through all lps on hook (4 tr cluster made), repeat from * around, ending with ch 10, sl st in tip of first cluster.

Rnd 4: Sl st in each of next 5 ch, sc in same lp, ch 12, sc in next lp, * (ch 12, 3 dtr cluster in next lp) twice—a corner lp made, (ch 12, sc in next lp) twice, repeat from * around, ending with ch 12, sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Second Motif—Work as for first motif until 3 rnds have been completed.

Rnd 4: Sl st in each of next 5 ch, sc in same lp, ch 12, sc in next lp, ch 12, 3 dtr cluster in next lp, ch 6, sl st in 6th ch of any corner lp on first motif, ch 6, 3 dtr cluster in next lp on second motif, (ch 6, sl st in 6th ch of corresponding lp on first motif, ch 6, sc in next lp on second motif) twice, ch 6, sl st in 6th ch of corresponding lp on first motif, ch 6. a 3 dtr cluster in next lp on second motif, ch 6, sl st in 6th ch of corresponding corner lp on first motif, ch 6, 3 dtr cluster in next lp on second motif. Complete as for first motif (no more joinings). Fasten off.



Arrangement of motifs.

Makes 23 rows of 31 motifs, joining adjacent sides as second motif was joined to first motif (where 4 corners meet, join third and 4th corners to joining of previous 2 corners).

Edging—Rnd 1: Join thread to any corner lp, sc in same place, * ch 12, sc in same lp, ** (ch 12, sc in next lp) 3 times, ch 12, sc in next joining, repeat from ** across side, ending with sc in corner lp, repeat from * around, ending with sl st in first sc.

Rnd 2: In each lp around make 5 sc, (ch 5 and 3 sc) twice, ch 5 and 5 sc. Join and fasten off. Block to measurements.

Horseshoe Cable Trim Sweater

Children will love this cardigan with cable trim. Directions are given for size 4 with changes for sizes 6, 8, 10, 12 in parentheses. You will need 8 (8, 10, 10, 12) ounces knitting worsted in any desired color, one pair each sizes 5 and 10 standard knitting needles and one double pointed knitting needle.



Abbreviations:

k (knit) dec (decrease)
p (purl) st (stitch)

Gauge: With size 10 needles 9 sts equal 2 inches

6 rows equal 1 inch

Horseshoe Cable Pattern—Row 1: K 10.

Row 2 and all even rows: K 1, p 8, k 1.

Row 3: K 1, slip next 2 sts onto double pointed needle and hold in front of work, k 2, then k 2 from double pointed needle, slip next 2 sts onto double pointed needle and hold in back of work, k 2, then k 2 sts from double pointed needle, k 1.

Rows 5, 7: Repeat row 1.

Row 8: Repeat row 2.

These 8 rows constitute pattern.

Back: With size 5 needles cast on 52 (56, 62, 68, 72) sts.

Work in ribbing of k 2, p 2 for $1\frac{1}{2}$ (2, 2, 2, $2\frac{1}{2}$) inches.

Change to size 10 needles and work in stockinette (k 1 row, p 1 row) until piece measures 9 (10, 11, 11½, 12) inches.

Armhole Shaping: Bind off 3 (3, 4, 5, 5) sts at the beginning of next 2 rows.

Dec 1 st each end of needle 1 (2, 3, 4, 4) times on k rows only.

Work even until armhole measures $4\frac{1}{2}$ (5, $5\frac{1}{2}$, 6, $6\frac{1}{2}$) inches.

Shoulder Shaping: Bind off 5 sts (5, 5, 5, 6) at the beginning of next 2 rows.

Bind off 5 (5, 5, 6, 6) sts at the beginning of next 2 rows.

Bind off 4 (5, 6, 6, 7) sts at the beginning of next 2 rows.

Bind off remaining 16 sts.

Left Front: Note — Buttonholes are in right front. If left front buttonholes are desired, work right front first.

With size 5 needles, cast on 31 (33, 36, 39, 41) sts.

Row 1: (Wrong Side)—P 2, k 2 to last 5 sts, k 5.

Row 2: K 5, * k 2, p 2, repeat from * across row.

Repeat these 2 rows until ribbing corresponds with back.

With right side of work facing you, k 16 (18, 21, 24, 26), place marker on needle, work first row of horseshoe cable pattern on next 10 sts, place marker on needle, k 5.

Row 2: K 5, work row 2 of horseshoe pattern on next 10 sts, p remainder of row.

Continue in this manner working horseshoe panel between markers and remainder of row in stockinette st, keeping 5 border sts in k st. Work until piece measures same as

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Cable Sweater

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back to armhole shaping.

Armhole Shaping: Bind off 3 (3, 4, 5, 5) sts at armhole edge.

Dec 1 st at armhole edge on next 1 (2, 3, 4, 4) k rows.

Continue until armhole measures $2\frac{1}{2}$ (3, 3, $3\frac{1}{2}$, 4) inches.

Neck Shaping: Bind off 5 sts at neck edge. Discontinue horseshoe pattern.

Dec 1 st at neck edge 3 times.

Dec 1 st at neck edge on k rows until 14 (15, 16, 17, 19) sts remain.

Work in stockinette st until piece measures same as back to shoulder.

Shoulder Shaping: Bind off 4 (5, 5, 5, 6) sts at shoulder edge.

Work 1 row.

Bind off 5 (5, 5, 6, 6) sts at shoulder edge.

Work 1 row.

Bind off remaining sts.

Right Front: Work to correspond with left front, reversing all shapings.

Work 6 buttonholes at even intervals. To make buttonhole: k 2, bind off 2 sts, k remainder of row in pattern. On next row cast on 2 sts over bound off sts.

Sleeves: (Make 2)—With size 5 needles, cast on 30 (32, 34, 36, 36) sts.

Work in ribbing of k 2, p 2 for 2 $(2, 2, 2\frac{1}{2}, 2\frac{1}{2})$ inches.

Change to size 10 needles. K 10 (11, 12, 13, 13) sts, place marker on needle, work row 1 of horseshoe pattern on next 10 sts, place marker on needle, k 10 (11, 12, 13, 13).

Next Row: P to marker, work row 2 of horseshoe pattern between markers, p remainder of row.

Continue in this manner working horseshoe pattern between markers and remainder in stockinette st, inc 1 st each end of needle every inch until there are 40 (42, 44, 50, 52) sts on needle.

Work even until sleeve measures 10½ (11½, 12½, 13½, 15) inches.

Shape Cap: Bind off 3 (3, 4, 5, 5) sts at beginning of next 2 rows.

Dec 1 st each end of needle every k row until 18 sts remain.

Dec 1 st each end of needle every row until 10 sts remain. Bind off remaining sts.

Collar: Cast on 15 (15, 17, 17, 19) sts with number 10 needles.

K 2 rows.

Work horseshoe pattern on first 10 sts, k remainder of row.

When piece is desired length for collar, k 2 rows. Bind off.

Sew seams. Attach collar, leaving panel of 5 garter sts free.

Cap and Mittens

Here's a cute set designed for a 6 month to one year size. The popcorn stitch adds a touch of glamor and the pompons will delight any baby. You will need 2 ounces 3-ply fingering yarn and one pair each standard knitting needles sizes 2 and 3.

Abbreviations:

st (stitch) tog (together)
k (knit) dec (decrease)
p (purl) pc st (popcorn stitch)

Gauge: 7 sts equal 1 inch

Pattern Stitch—Row 1: K each st.

Row 2: P each st.

Row 3: Repeat row 1.

Row 4: Repeat row 2.

Row 5 (Right Side): K 4, * in next st k in front and back of same st 5 times—pc st made, k 3, repeat from * across row, ending with k 4.

Row 6: P 4, * p 5 tog, p 3, repeat from * across, ending with p 4.

Row 7: K each st. Row 8: P each st. Row 9: K each st. Row 10: P each st.

Row 11: K 2, * work pc st in next st, k 3, repeat from * across, ending with k 2.

Row 12: P 2, * p 5 tog, p 3, repeat from * across, ending with p 2.

Repeat these 12 rows for pattern.



Cap: Using number 2 needles, cast on 108 sts.

Work in ribbing of k 1, p 1 for 1½ inches.

Change to number 3 needles and work in pattern until 4 inches above ribbing, ending on wrong side.

K 2 rows for ridge.

First Dec Row (Right Side Facing): * K 10 sts, k 2 tog, repeat from * ending k 2 tog.

P one row.

Second Dec Row: * K 9, k 2 tog, repeat from *.

P one row.

Continue to dec 9 sts every k row until 9 sts remain, having 1 less st between dec after each k row.

Fasten off yarn, leaving a 15-inch length. Draw through all sts. Sew seam. Make pompon and sew to top.

Mitten (Make 2): Using number 2 needles, cast on 36 sts.

Work in ribbing of k 1, p 1 for 2 inches.

Change to number 3 needles and work in pattern, beginning with row 3 for 2½ inches, ending with row 2.

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K next two rows for ridge.

Tip Dec—Row 1: * K 1, k 2 tog, repeat from * across row.

Row 2: P across.

Row 3: Repeat row 1.

Row 4: Repeat row 2.

Row 5: Repeat row 1.

Row 6: P 2 tog across row.

Fasten off yarn, leaving 10-inch length. Draw remaining sts together and fasten off. Sew side seam.

Finishing: Crochet a chain 10 inches long. Run chain through ribbing ½ inch above pattern to tie in front. Trim each tip of mitten with small pompon.

Knit Lounging Pajamas



Any teen-age doll wardrobe would be enhanced with this addition. To make the pajamas you will need 1 ounce fingering yarn, 4 double pointed knitting needles size 1, 1 pair size 1 standard knitting needles and a size 6 crochet hook. One ball pearl cotton size 8 and a number 10 crochet hook will be needed for making the frogs. Directions are given for an 11½-inch fashion doll.

Abbreviations:

k (knit) tog (together)
p (purl) rnd (round)
st (stitch) sl (slip)
dec (decrease) ch (chain)
inc (increase) sc (single crochet)
sk (skip)

Coat—Start at hemline and work lower part of coat in three sections to form slits down sides of coat.

Right Front Section: Cast on 14 sts with standard knitting needles.

Row 1: K 3, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 5, turn.

Row 2: P 5, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 3. Rows 3 through 12: Repeat rows 1 and 2.

Row 13: (Right Side) — K 3, p 1, slip next 2 sts on a double pointed needle and hold in back of work, k next 2 sts, k 2 sts from double pointed needle (cable made), p 1, k 5, turn.

Row 14: Repeat row 2.

Row 15: Repeat row 1.

Repeat these 2 rows 2 more times. Place sts on stitch holder and fasten off.

Back Section: Cast on 28 sts.

Row 1: K 5, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 6, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 5, turn.

Row 2: P 5, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 6, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 5.

Rows 3 through 12: Repeat rows 1 and 2.

Row 13: (Right Side)—K 5, p 1, (make cable—slip next 2 sts on a double pointed needle and hold in back of work, k next 2 sts, k 2 sts on double pointed needle), p 1, k 6, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 5.

Row 14: Repeat row 2. Row 15: Repeat row 1.

Repeat these 2 rows 2 more times. Place sts on stitch holder and fasten off.

Left Front Section: Cast on 14 sts.

Row 1: K 5, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 3, turn.

Row 2: P 3, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 5.

Rows 3 through 12: Repeat rows 1 and 2.

Row 13: (Right Side)—K 5, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 3, turn.

Row 14: Repeat row 2.

Row 15: Repeat row 1.

Repeat these 2 rows 2 more times, turn.

Row 20: Slip sts for left front section onto left hand needle (p side) and p 3, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 5, work sts of back section already on left needle (p side) by p 5, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 6, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 5, slip sts of right front section on left needle (p side) and p 5, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 3, turn.

Row 21: Working across all three sections k 3, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 10, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 6, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 10, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 3, turn.

Row 22: P 3, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 10, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 6, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 10, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 3.

Repeat these 2 rows once more.

Row 25: K 3, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 10, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 6, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 10, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 3, turn.

Pattern Stitch—Row 1: P 3, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 10, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 6, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 10, k 1, p 4, k 1, p 3, turn.

Row 2: K 3, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 10, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 6, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 10, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 3.

Repeat rows 1 and 2 six times.

Row 13: (Cable Row)—K 3, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 10, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 6, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 10, p 1, (cable), p 1, k 3.

These 13 rows make up the pat-

tern. Repeat pattern 2 more times —4 completed cables in all.

Next 6 Rows: Repeat rows 1 and 2 of pattern.

Next Row: Divide sts for fronts and back as follows: Work in pattern across 13 sts, place remaining sts on holder. Continue in pattern on these 13 sts until piece measures 1 inch, ending row on p side. Turn, bind off 3 sts (neck edge), p 1, k 4, p 1, k 4.

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Doll Pajamas

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Turn, p 4, k 1, p 4, k 1.

Turn, p 1, k 4, p 1, k 4.

Turn, bind off remaining 10 sts. Back: Slip next 30 sts on needle. Working on k side and in pattern

Working on k side and in pattern st, bind off 2 sts at beginning of each of the next 2 rows (26 sts).

Continue in pattern until piece measures same as right front.

At beginning of each of next 2 rows, bind off 10 sts (shoulder).

Bind off remaining 6 sts for collar. Left Front: Slip remaining 13 sts

onto needle.

Work to correspond to right front, reversing all shapings.

Sew shoulder seams.

Collar: On right side and with number 6 crochet hook (sk first 2 sts of 3 bound off sts for neck edge), join yarn, ch 1, work 16 sc, (sk 2 sts of left front neck edge), ch 1, turn, sc in each sc. Fasten off.

Sleeves: K and pick up 21 sts around armhole. Divide sts on 3 needles.

Work in stockinette st (k each rnd) for 2½ inches. Bind off. Do not fasten off thread until 2 rows of sc are worked. Fasten off.

Make a second sleeve in same manner.

Work 1 row sc around lower edge of each section of coat. Fasten off.

Frogs: With single thread, ch 7, join with sl st to form ring. Make 10 sc in ring. * Ch 7, sl st in 7th st from hook, turn, make 10 sc in ring, sl st in base of ring, repeat from * once. Fasten off.

Make another piece same as this but do not fasten off, ch 10, turn, sl st in 10th ch from hook, turn, make 15 sc in ring, sl st in base of rings, fasten off.

Button: With single thread, ch 2, work 6 sc in second ch from hook.

Do not join rnds.

Rnd 2: 2 sc in each st around (12 sts). * Work off 2 sts as 1 st in each 2 sts around, repeat from * once.

Sew button at base of rings on each piece. Make 3 complete frogs for front of coat and one-half frog for base of slit at each side of coat.

Pants: Cast on 30 sts beginning at waist line.

Row 1: K each st.

Row 2: P each st.

Repeat these 2 rows once.

Row 5: K 6, inc in next st, k to end of row.

Row 6: P each st.

Row 7: K 6, inc 1 st in each of next 2 sts, k to end of row (33 sts).

Rnd 8: Divide sts on 3 double pointed needles, join, and k around.

Rnd 9: K 7, inc 1 st in each of next 2 sts, k to end of rnd (35 sts).

Rnd 10: K around.

Rnd 11: K 8, inc 1 st in each of next 2 sts, k to end of rnd (37 sts).

Rnd 12: K 9, inc 1 st in each of next 2 sts, k to end of rnd (39 sts).

Rnd 13: K around.

Rnd 14: K 10, inc 1 st in each of next 2 sts, k to end of rnd (41 sts).

Rnd 15: K around.

Rnd 16: K 14, inc 1 st in next st, k to end of rnd (42 sts).

Rnds 17, 18: K around.

Rnd 19: K 15, place next 21 sts on stitch holder, cast on 5 sts, k to end of rnd (26 sts on needles).

Continue in stockinette st until piece measures 1½ inches from 5 cast-on sts.

Dec Rnd: K 15, k 2 tog, k to end of rnd.

Next Rnd: K around.

Dec Rnd: K 13, k 2 tog, k to end of rnd.

Next Rnd: K around.

Dec Rnd: K 12, k 2 tog, k to end

of rnd.

Next Rnd: K around.

Dec Rnd: K 11, k 2 tog, k to end of rnd.

Continue in stockinette st until piece measures $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches from 5 cast-on sts. Bind off.

Join yarn to first cast-on st at front of pants, k and pick up 5 sts. Slip 21 sts from holder on 2 needles.

Work to correspond with other side, reversing the dec sts.

With number 6 crochet hook, work 2 rows sc around waist and side opening. Tack down front over back flap. Fasten off.

Sew snap at waistband.

Double Rickrack Tatted Edge



When a metallic thread and rick-rack are used for this edging, it makes a delightful addition to evening wear, table linen, bags and hats. You will need a ball of bed-spread cotton with metallic thread, rickrack with metallic thread and a tatting shuttle.

Abbreviations:

ch (chain) ds (double stitch)

p (picot)
Cut 2 pieces of rickrack the length edging is to be. Join ball and shuttle threads in first point of one length of rickrack, ch 3 ds, p, 3 ds, join in first point of second length of rickrack, * ch 3 ds, p, 3 ds, join in next point of first length of rickrack, ch 3 ds, p, 3 ds, join in next point of second length of rickrack, ch 3 ds, p, 3 ds, join in next point of second length of rickrack. Repeat from * across. Tie and cut threads.



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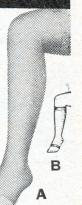
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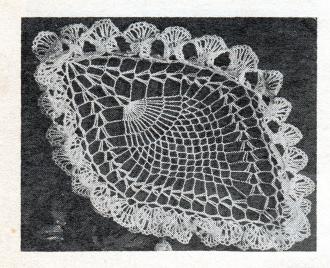
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Ruffle Oval Doily

Here is an interesting version of the ever-popular pineapple design made into an oval shape. It is approximately 19 inches across. American Thread Company Puritan Mercerized Crochet Cotton and a steel crochet hook number 7 were used to make the model. It takes two balls of white and one of shaded pink.

Abbreviations:

ch (chain) tr tr (triple treble) lp (loop) sk (skip) rnd (round) sc (single crochet)



With white ch 8, sl st in first ch to form a ring, ch 6, tr tr in ring (4 times over hook), * ch 3, 2 tr tr in ring, repeat from * twice, ch 6, turn.

Row 2: Tr tr in next tr tr (ch 6 counts as first tr tr), ch 3, 2 tr tr in next lp, ch 3, (2 tr tr, ch 3, 2 tr tr in next lp) shell made, ch 3, 2 tr tr in next lp, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 3: Tr tr in next tr tr, * ch 3, 2 tr tr in next tr tr, repeat from * once, ch 3, shell in center of next shell, ch 3, sk 2 tr tr of shell, 2 tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, 2 tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2,

tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 4: Tr tr in next tr, ch 3, shell in next shell, * ch 5, shell in next shell, repeat from * once, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 5: Tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, shell in next shell, ch 5, 15 tr tr in center of next shell, ch 5, shell in next shell, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 6: Tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, shell in next shell, ch 5, sk next lp, tr tr with ch 1 between each tr tr in each of next 15 tr tr, ch 5, shell in next shell, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 7: Tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, shell in next shell, ch 5, sk next lp, tr tr with ch 2 between each tr tr in each of next 15 tr tr, ch 5, shell in next shell, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 8: Tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, shell in next shell, ch 5, sk next lp, sc in ch 2 lp between tr tr, * ch 6, sc in next ch 2 lp, repeat from * 12 times, ch 5, shell in next shell, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 9: Tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, shell in next shell, ch 5, sk next lp, sc in next lp, * ch 6, sc in next lp, repeat from * 11 times, ch 5, shell in next shell, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Rows 10 through 20: Repeat last row having 1 repeat less in pineapple in each row.

Row 21: Tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, shell in next shell, sk next lp, thread over hook 5 times, insert in next lp, pull through and work off same as tr tr, shell in next shell, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 22: Tr tr in next tr tr, ch 3, * 2 tr tr in center of next shell, repeat from * once, ch 3, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, ch 6, turn.

Row 23: Tr tr in next tr tr, sk tr tr, tr tr in each of next 2 tr tr, sk next tr tr, tr tr in each of last 2 tr tr, turn.

Row 24: Ch 6, sk 3 tr tr, sc in next tr tr, do not turn.

Edge—Rnd 1: Working on side of doily, ch 8, sc over 2 end tr tr, * ch 8, sc over next 2 end tr tr, repeat from * along side to starting ring, * ch 8, sc in starting ring, repeat from last * twice, ch 8, sc over 2 end tr tr on opposite side and continue around in same manner working end lp in same manner as ring, ch 8, join in first sc.

Next Rnd: Sl st into lp, ch 6, tr tr in same lp, * ch 1, tr tr in same lp, repeat from * 4 times, * ch 2, 7 tr tr with ch 1 between each tr tr in next lp, repeat from last * around, ch 2, join.

Next Rnd: Ch 6, tr tr in same sp, * ch 1, 2 tr tr with ch 1 between each tr tr in next tr tr, repeat from * 5 times, * ch 2, 2 tr tr with ch 1 between each tr tr in each of next 7 tr tr, repeat from last * around, join, cut thread.

Next Rnd: Join pink in ch 1 sp

between first 2 tr tr of tr tr group, * ch 3, sc in next lp, repeat from * 27 times, drop lp from hook, insert in 12th lp from beginning having free lps come to front of work. Pull dropped lp through, ** ch 3, sc in next lp, repeat from ** 13 times, sk 2 lps of front scallop, drop lp from hook, insert in next lp, pull dropped lp through having free lps to back of work, * ch 3, sc in next lp, repeat from *13 times, sk 2 lps of back scallop in back of last joining, drop lp from hook, insert in next lp, pull dropped lp through having free lp to front of work, repeat from first ** around ending to correspond, join, cut thread, starch.

Directions for Starching: Dissolve 1/2 cup starch in cup of cold water. Boil about 1 cup of water, remove from flame, then slowly stir starch mixture into boiling water stirring constantly. Place back on flame until it thickens. As soon as starch is cool enough to handle, dip article and squeeze starch through it thoroughly. Wring out extra starch. The article should be wet with starch but there should be none in spaces. Pin article in position and leave until thoroughly dry. If steam iron is used, iron after it is dry. If regular iron is used, dampen article slightly before ironing. Leave in position until thoroughly dry.

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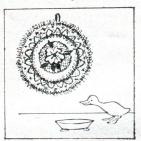
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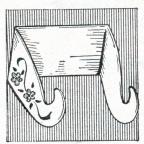
These attractive beach robes really catch the teen-ager's eye. Take two large bath towels and sew together at top and sides, leaving neck and arm openings. Next cut out two or three felt feet which serve as pockets for lotion, glasses, etc. A tie-around cord belt may be added. These sell easily for \$3.

Melody Smith



Shadow Boxes

I make very attractive shadow boxes from small foil pans that frozen pies are packaged in. Cut the centers from 6-inch plastic doily and fasten this along with one larger or 3 small plastic flowers and leaves to bottom of pie pan. Then crochet a small edge on inner and outer edge of doily in black crochet thread and either use thread to tie or glue this to top of pie pan. I make a hanger on back from crochet thread by pushing a threaded darning needle through plate and making a loop. I sell two of these as a pair for \$1. Mrs. Rowena Poet



Book Holder

I purchase wire book holders from stationery stores. I cover them with felt and embroider sides. They sell readily for \$2 each.

Mrs. Robert Angevine



Curler Bags

To make an attractive curler bag that sells easily for \$1, cut two thicknesses of material 8 x 14 inches. The second piece will be used as lining. Fold two thicknesses in half and sew up side and bottom seams, making bag 7 inches wide and 8 inches tall. Put drawstring at top and add lace, ruffles or rickrack as desired for trim. These curler bags sell quickly at bazaars.

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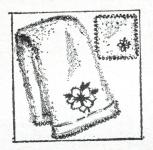
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I buy inexpensive washcloths to make into cute baby bibs. Fold each in half and cut a neck-hole 2-inches deep and 3-inches in from outer edges. Trim with bias tape, leaving tie ends of about 12-inches. Turn up 2-inches on bottom edge and sew along sides. Tack with a stitch or two in the middle, giving baby a catch-all. Trim with rickrack or decorate with sailboats, animals, jet planes or lollipop trees. I wrap them in clear plastic bags. They sell readily in gift shops for 25c each, depending on designs and materials used.

Mrs. Jean Kaeselau



Bath Set

I cut large floral designs from pretty cotton prints and appliqué to one end of turkish bath towels. Cut out a small design from same print and appliqué to one corner of face cloth to match towel. Crochet both ends of towel and around edge of face cloth. Lovely color combinations can be used to harmonize towel, appliqué and crochet edges. Brides especially love these colorful sets. I sell them for \$3.50 to \$4.50 a set, depending on size of towel.

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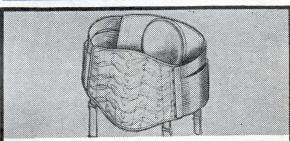
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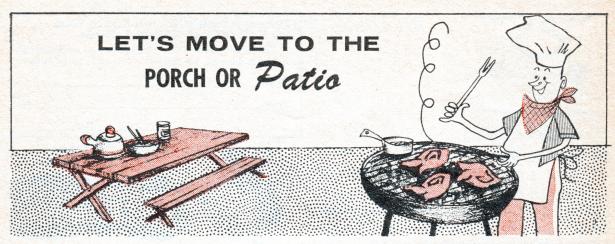
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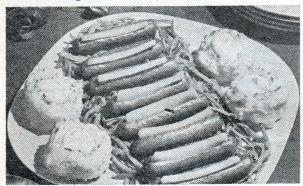


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Getting ready for that first meal on porch or patio? There are many convenient foods on the market today which lend themselves perfectly to outdoor meals. Just remember, to make your meal a success, plan a variety of dishes and ones that are easy to fix. Baked beans are an old favorite. There are many variations in preparing this popular dish. Meals for these first spring days outside need not be a chore. In this issue are many exciting and enjoyable recipes.



Try this quick dinner right from the broiler.

"Quick-Fix" Budget Dinner

1. Spoon hot cooked green beans into broiler pan. Make slits in frankfurters and place on broiler rack. Add 2 tablespoons minced onion to 2 cups mashed potatoes. Drop by ½-cupfuls onto rack and make depression in top of each. Beans will catch flavorful juices as franks broil.

2. Broil, 3 inches from source of heat, for about 3 minutes. Remove from broiler, insert strips of Cheddar cheese in frankfurters —and return to broiler for about 2 minutes, until cheese begins to melt. Top potato nests with dairy sour cream.



Raisins, a bit of onion and apple add personality to baked beans.

Vagabond Baked Beans

1/2 cup dark or golden raisins

1 small onion

1 tart apple

1/2 cup chopped ham

1 (1-pound 15-ounce) can baked beans

11/2 teaspoons dry mustard

1/4 cup sweet pickle relish

1/2 cup catsup or chili sauce

Finely chop or grind coarsely raisins, onion and apple. Combine all ingredients. Turn into a bean pot or casserole. Cover and bake in slow oven $(300\,^{\circ}\text{F.})$ $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 hours. Makes about 1 quart.

Bean 'n Sausage Bake

2 cans (1-pound each) pork and beans catsup brown sugar mustard onion

12 brown 'n serve sausages

Combine all ingredients except sausages. Save about 4 sausages for the top, and cut the remainder into 1-inch lengths. Fold sausages into bean mixture and place in greased casserole dish or pan. Place whole sausage links on top and bake uncovered in (350°F.) oven for about 45 minutes. Serves 6 to 8.



Herb-flavored Creole sauce served with meat loaf lends a luxurious air. **Barbecued Meatloaf**

1/4 cup unsulphured molasses

1/4 cup prepared mustard

1/4 cup vinegar

1 can (8-ounces) tomato sauce

2 eggs

3 cups soft bread crumbs

1 medium onion, finely chopped

1/4 cup finely chopped parsley

1 tablespoon salt

1/2 teaspoon thyme

3 pounds ground beef

Combine molasses, mustard and vinegar in a 1 cup measure. Add 1/2 cup of the mixture to tomato sauce and eggs in a large mixing bowl; beat until blended. Mix in bread crumbs, onion, parsley, salt and thyme. Add ground beef; mix well. Form into loaf in shallow baking pan. Brush with part of the remaining molasses mixture. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F) 1½ hours, brushing occasionally with part of the remaining molasses mixture. Serve with Creole Sauce.* Yields 12 servings.

*Creole Sauce

1 can (1-pound) tomatoes with onion and green pepper

1 small onion, sliced

1/4 cup diced green pepper

1/8 teaspoon each basil and tarragon

1/16 teaspoon cayenne

1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

2 tablespoons cornstarch

1/3 cup water

Heat tomatoes, onion, green pepper and seasonings in saucepan. Blend together cornstarch and water. Add to tomato mixture, stirring constantly. Cook, stirring until mixture is thickened and clear. Makes approximately 2 cups.

Pork and Beans with Pineapple

1 can (1-pound 15-ounces) pork and

1/3 cup brown sugar

1/2 teaspoon ground ginger

3 pineapple slices

Combine pork and beans, brown sugar and ground ginger. Place in a one-quart casserole dish. Arrange the pineapple slices attractively on top of pork and beans. Heat, uncovered, in (350°F.) oven for 40 to 45 minutes. Makes 6 to 7 servings.

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7 slices bacon

1 pound, 41/2-ounce can tomatoes

2 teaspoons sugar

5 tablespoons chopped onion

11/4 cups fresh bread crumbs

1 teaspoon salt

pepper

3 slices American cheese cut into strips

3 slices bread, each buttered and cut

into rectangles

Drain tomatoes, reserving 34 cup of the liquid. Fry bacon, drain and crumble into tomato juice. Add sugar. Pour drippings from skillet, leaving 1 tablespoon bacon fat. Add onions and brown sugar lightly. Combine onions and bread crumbs with tomato juice. Place tomatoes in 6½ x 9½ inch casserole. Halve tomatoes if necessary to cover bottom. Add salt and pepper to tomatoes. Cover with tomato juice mixture. Arrange cheese over surface. Top with buttered rectangles of bread and bake in a very hot oven (450°F.) for 10 minutes. Yields 4 servings.

Lamb Stuffed Green Peppers

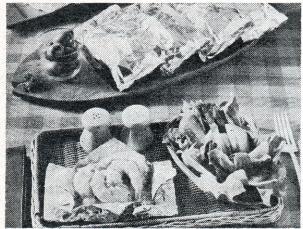
- 1 cup cubed cooked lamb
- 4 large green peppers, stems and seeds removed
- 2 tablespoons chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon shortening
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 tomatoes, cut into small pieces
- 1/2 cup pre-cooked rice
- 1/2 to 3/4 teaspoon leaf oregano
- 11/2 teaspoons salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1 tablespoon shortening

Simmer peppers in water for 5 minutes. Drain. Cook onion in 1 tablespoon of shortening until transparent. Add ¼ cup water, tomatoes, rice, oregano, salt, pepper, and lamb. Simmer about 10 minutes. Spoon lamb mixture into green peppers and place in a 1 quart baking dish to which ½ cup water, sugar and 1 tablespoon shortening have been added. Bake in a moderate oven (350°F.) for 35 to 40 minutes. Makes 4 servings.

Roquefort Shrimp Bake

- 2 (12-ounce) packages frozen green shrimp
- 2 (3-ounce) packages cream cheese
- 6 ounces Roquefort cheese
- 3/3 cup chopped pimiento

Wash shrimp, remove shells, veins. Combine cream cheese, Roquefort cheese, pimiento and blend thoroughly. Place cheese mixture in center of four doublethick squares of aluminum foil; place cleaned shrimp on top of cheese mixture. Bring up sides of foil; fold down onto shrimp in tight double fold; fold ends up in tight double folds. Place on baking sheet. Bake 20 minutes at 350°F. Serve in opened packages with wedges of lemon.



A sure-to-please recipe is Roquefort Shrimp Bake.



Pineapple Strawberry Roll

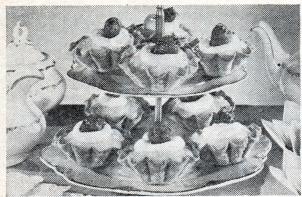
- 3/4 cup sifted cake flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 4 eggs, separated
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons water
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- few drops almond extract
- 1 cup whipping cream

Make filling: Chill while making and cooling cake. Resift flour with baking powder and salt. Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon colored. Gradually beat in half the sugar. Mix in water and flavorings. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry. Slowly beat in remaining half of sugar. Fold in egg whites. Gently fold in dry ingredients. Spread evenly in 10 x 15 x 3/4 inch jelly roll pan, which has been greased, lined with waxed paper then greased again. Bake in moderately hot oven (375°F.) 15 to 20 minutes. Turn out of pan onto clean towel sprinkled with powdered sugar. Strip off paper and roll quickly in towel like jelly roll. Let cool. To assemble, whip cream and sweeten if desired. Unroll cooled cake and spread with half the cream and chilled filling. Re-roll carefully so as not to squeeze out filling. Frost with rest of cream. Decorate with pineapple slices and berries. Refrigerate until serving. Makes 8 servings.

Pineapple Strawberry Filling:

- 1 cup strawberries
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 (13½-ounce) can crushed pineapple, undrained
- 1½ tablespoons cornstarch dash salt
 - 1 teaspoon lemon juice
 - 1 teaspoon butter or margarine

Wash, hull and slice strawberries. Add 2 tablespoons sugar. Let stand. Heat pineapple to boiling. Blend remaining sugar with cornstarch and salt. Stir into hot pineapple. Cook and stir until clear and thick. Remove from heat. Add lemon juice, butter and strawberries. Chill.



Strawberry tarts are colorful and extra delicious.

Strawberry Coconut Cream Tarts

- 2 packages coconut cream pudding and and pie filling
- 4 cups milk
- 9 baked 4-inch tart shells, cooled

1 cup heavy cream

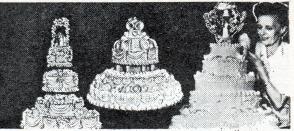
Combine pie filling mix and milk in a saucepan. Cook and stir over medium heat until the mixture comes to a full boil. Remove from heat. Cool only about 5 minutes, stirring once or twice. Pour into tart shells. Chill thoroughly. Whip cream, sweeten to taste; spread over top of filling. Chill. Garnish with fresh whole strawberries. Makes 9 servings.

Pineapple Strawberry Alaska

- 1 (9-inch) round layer of cake
- 1 quart strawberry ice cream
- 1 (13½-ounce) can pineapple tidbits
- 1½ cups strawberries sliced or 10-ounce package frozen strawberries, thawed
 - 4 egg whites
- 1/2 cup sugar

2 tablespoons powdered sugar

Bake and cool cake layer ahead of time. Chill. Spread ice cream in round 8-inch cake pan with removable bottom. Freeze several hours, until brick hard. Set aside ½ cup drained pineapple. Combine rest with strawberries. Chill. Cover a small board with brown paper or foil. Place cake on foil; unmold ice cream onto cake. Sprinkle reserved pineapple tidbits over ice cream. Return to freezer to firm again while making meringue. Heat oven to very hot (450°F.). Beat egg whites in large bowl until they stand in peaks. Slowly beat in ½ cup sugar until meringue stands in stiff peaks. Spread quickly over ice cream and cake covering completely in a thick layer. Swirl into stiff points. Sprinkle with powdered sugar. Bake 3 to 4 minutes, until delicate gold and tinged with brown. Slip onto serving plate. Cut into wedges. Makes 8 servings.



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Strawberry Preserves

- 2 cups prepared fruit (about 1-quart ripe strawberries)
- 4 cups (13/4-pounds) sugar
- 3/4 cup water
- 1 box powdered fruit pectin

First, prepare the fruit. Thoroughly crush, 1 layer at a time, about 1-quart fully ripe strawberries. Measure 2 cups into a large bowl or pan.

Then make the jam. Measure sugar, add to fruit, mix well, and let stand. Mix water and fruit pectin in a small saucepan. Bring to a boil and boil 1 minute, stirring constantly. Stir into fruit mixture. Continue stirring about 3 minutes. (There will be a few remaining sugar crystals). Ladle quickly into glasses. Cover at once with tight lids. When jam is set (may take up to 24 hours), store in freezer. If jam will be used within 2 or 3 weeks, it may be stored in the refrigerator. Yields about 6 medium (8-ounce) glasses.



Rhubarb Chiffon Pie

2 cups finely chopped fresh rhubarb

3/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup hot water

1 tablespoon plain gelatine

1/4 cup cold water

2 egg whites

1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped

1 tablespoon grated orange rind

1 baked 9-inch pie shell

Cook rhubarb with ½ cup sugar and hot water until tender. Force through coarse sieve. Soften gelatine in cold water and add to hot rhubarb mixture. Chill until almost firm. Beat egg whites until frothy and add remaining sugar gradually, beating until stiff. Fold into cold rhubarb mixture which has been beaten until fluffy. Fold grated orange rind into whipped cream and fold into mixture. Turn into crust and chill until firm.

Mrs. Ola F. Garrison

Rosy Red Upside Down Cake

3 cups chopped rhubarb

10 large marshmallows

13/4 cups sugar

1 dozen redhots

1/4 cup butter or shortening

2 beaten eggs

13/4 cups flour

1/4 teaspoon salt

3 teaspoons baking powder

1/4 cup milk

Arrange rhubarb in iron skillet or baking pan. Add quartered marshmallows and 34 cup sugar. Sprinkle with redhots. Thoroughly cream butter with 1 cup sugar. Add eggs and beat well. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with milk. Pour batter over rhubarb. Bake in 350° F. oven one hour. Cool and turn onto plate. Serve with whipped cream.

Mrs. Anna Young

Rhubarb Sherbet

4 cups cubed raw rhubarb

1 cup sugar

1/4 cup orange juice

2 tablespoons lemon juice

2 cups water

1/2 cup white corn syrup

1/4 cup pineapple juice

2 egg whites

Cook rhubarb with 1 cup water until tender. Boil together remaining water and sugar for 5 minutes. Add syrup and chill. Combine rhubarb pulp (there should be about 2 cups pulp) with the juices. Add to chilled syrup. Pour into refrigerator tray and freeze until firm. Remove to chilled bowl and add unbeaten egg whites. Beat until fluffy. Return to tray and continue freezing until firm. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Mrs. Martha Graham

Strawberry Cream Pie

1 package strawberry flavored gelatine

1 tablespoon sugar

1 cup boiling water

1 cup strawberry juice, sweetened, canned or stewed

3 tablespoons lemon juice

1 cup drained strawberries, canned or stewed

1/2 cup cream or condensed milk, whipped

1 baked pie shell

Dissolve gelatine and sugar in boiling water. Add strawberry juice, lemon juice and strawberries. When mixture begins to gel, add whipped cream and pour into baked pie shell. Chill.

Viola R. Miller

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French Strawberry Glaze Pie

Wash, drain and hull 1 quart strawberries. Simmer together about 1 cup strawberries and % cup sugar for 3 minutes. Blend and add to boiling mixture:

1 cup sugar

3 tablespoons cornstarch

1/3 cup water

Boil 1 minute, stirring constantly. Cool. If desired spread over bottom of cooled baked pie shell 3-ounce package of softened cream cheese. Save ½ cup choice berries. Place remaining 2½ cups berries in baked pie shell. Cover with cooked mixture and garnish with ½ cup berries. Refrigerate until firm, about 2 hours. Serve with sweetened whipped cream or ice cream. Makes an 8 or 9-inch pie.

Mrs. Allen K. Johnson

Strawberry Cake

1 cup sugar

1/2 cup margarine

2 eggs

2 teaspoons baking powder

13/4 cups sifted flour

1/2 cup sweet milk

1 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup crushed strawberries

Cream margarine and sugar. Add eggs, one at a time, beating vigorously after each Combine baking powder and addition. flour alternately with milk. Add vanilla and strawberries. Bake in 2 loaves. Frost with powdered sugar icing using crushed strawberries instead of liquid. Cake will remain moist.

Mrs. Alvin Ferrell

Rhubarb Sour Cream Pudding

1 cup sour cream

1 cup sugar

1 egg, slightly beaten

2 cups diced rhubarb

11/2 cups sifted flour

½ teaspoon soda

1/2 teaspoon baking powder

1/4 teaspoon salt

1/2 teaspoon vanilla

Mix sour cream and sugar in bowl. Add egg and fruit. Stir in flour that has been sifted with soda, baking powder and salt. Beat until blended. Stir in vanilla. Pour into greased 8 x 8 x 2-inch square pan and bake in 375° oven about 35 minutes or until done. Serve warm with hard sauce. Serves 6.

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How can I start a new plant from an oleander? I have tried slipping them as I would a geranium but have not been successful. Mrs. H. A. O., Kansas.

Oleander cuttings, either from soft or hard wood, root rather easily. They may be started in water and then potted or they may be planted in a cutting box of coarse sand. Cuttings of rather firm wood three or four inches long kept moist in a covered, lightly shaded box of sand will soon root.

We have two tree peonies and for two years one or two buds have appeared on each but they never open. This year we opened a bud and found it dead and brown inside. Our other peonies are doing well. What is the matter with these? Mrs. O. H. H., Michigan.

Your tree peonies may be affected by stem-wilt. The wilt is caused by cankers which girdle the stems at the base, cutting off the water supply. Young buds, just ready to open, turn brown and hang on the plant for a long time. It might be that the flower buds are killed and turn brown because they have been frosted. This is a common trouble with growing tree peonies where frosts occur after spring growth has started.





What is the best method of growing native, wild lady slippers from seeds? Could I possibly raise them on my window-sill? Mrs. C.E.T., Indiana

Seed from the wild lady slippers is so fine and so much of it is sterile that short of using laboratory methods I fear the plants could not be started. They could not be cultivated successfully in the window garden. For one thing the plants require a period of dormancy following their growth cycle. Propagation is secured by root divisions. The divisions may be potted and started into growth on the window-sill but after they are established they should be transplanted to the garden.

Would you please give me directions on how to slip and care for a calla lily begonia? M. C., New York.

The calla lily begonia is probably a sport of the common begonia and like it can be propagated by cuttings. Take cuttings from the base of the plant, where the leaves are mostly green. Root them in sand or vermiculite the same as other cuttings. Caring for this begonia is difficult. It should be in good soil that drains well. The plant is most sensitive to excess water and should be watered moderately and never heavily. Give it all the light possible short of direct sunlight. Once established leave it undisturbed. It takes a great deal of experimenting to find the conditions of light, heat and moisture best suited to the calla lily begonia, in each locality. Once established, this begonia will flourish for years.

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Please give me some information about caring for a Bird of Paradise lily. Does it need a lot of water? Sun or shade? When will it bloom if kept as a house plant? Mrs. R. J. L.,

Oregon

Paradise lily, St. Bruno's lily, is a hardy plant, growing in any good garden soil. It prefers a partially shaded area, and does best in rich, loose, rather moist soil. Either in the garden or as a house plant it should bloom in late spring. A plant grown in a pot plunged in the cold frame to be lifted and brought indoors in early spring should make an excellent pot plant.

How can I get rid of toadstools on my lawn?
They come up where an old tree was cut down.
Mrs. T.M., Minnesota

Toadstools are fungi that are busily engaged in consuming dead vegetable matter. As the dead tree stump and roots decay, the food supply for the fungi will be gone and the toadstools will disappear. The mycelium serving as roots of the fungus of the commoner meadow mushrooms do not flourish under highly acid conditions. An application of aluminum sulphate over the area will discourage their growth. However if you simply remove them, in time they will cease to appear. Better still, take a specimen to a mycologist and have it identified. It is almost certain to be a meadow mushroom and delectable eating. However, find out from some one who knows for it is not a food with which to experiment.

I have a gardenia plant which drops its buds. What can be done to prevent this? Mrs. B. O., Pennsylvania

Conditions causing gardenias to drop their buds include dry atmosphere, cloudy weather, low night temperature and drying at the roots. High humidity is hard to maintain and this is the major cause of bud drop. Regular watering and frequent syringing is necessary during bright summer days. Inadequate sunlight during periods of cloudy weather is often the cause of failure and there is little that can be done about it. Before frost bring gardenia plants indoors. Place them in a light place where the temperature is around 50°. In May plunge the pots outdoors in full sun.

How can I eradicate Canada thistles? A. C. D., Ohio

The roots of Canada thistles grow deep and spread in every direction and new plants form at frequent intervals. If left a few plants will soon cover a large area. A spray containing amino triazola will kill the plants if it is applied while they are in active growth. Ammate weed and brush killer sprays will also control them. The regular 2,4-D if used at intervals should eradicate this pest. The first spray should be applied when the plants are in bud. As new shoots appear they should be sprayed when they reach 4 or 5 inches in height. One full season of careful spraying should eliminate this weed.





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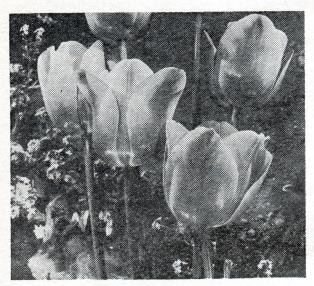
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Paint a Spring Picture with Julips

Dorothy Schroeder

Tulips are just another word for spring to many gardeners. Planted well they take over the garden every spring for at least two months of beauty, and since they can be depended upon for years of blooming it behooves us to make that extra effort.

Take a good look at your soil before setting out tulips. If light, plant deep; nine inches to one foot. If heavy stiff clay, plant about six inches deep.



Tulips make your garden look like spring.

Be sure drainage is good. Tulips lying in water rot and never appear at all. Put a scoopful of bone meal into the hole for each bulb, then a trowelful of rich soil (compost if you have it). Over this scatter a little sand to cushion and protect bulb from excess moisture. Now put in bulb with a twisting motion to anchor firmly into soil and help roots take hold. Trouble? Yes, a little, but remember you are planting for permanence. Tulips that "run out" are all to often haphazardly started. Planted this way it is unnecessary to mulch them.

Save a few bulbs for winter blooming indoors. Plant them four inches deep in rich soil in large pots. Bury these in a foot-deep trough on north side of house. Pile a few armfuls of hav over them. After eight weeks of winter weather lift hay cautiously, so as not to break emerging growth. Pick pot that shows best growth and bring in house to progress slowly in a cool but bright basement window. When buds show color bring upstairs. Still keeping as cool as possible, put in a bright place to bloom. I find that it helps to mist leaves two or three times a week with clothes sprinkler.

It will be pure chance whether blooming of your tulips coincides with a holiday until you've gained a little experience forcing them. Later you'll find you hit it right on the nose nine times out of ten.

Bulbs can't be used a second time for indoor blooming, but can be planted outside the following fall.

After outdoor tulips have faded, be sure to cut off flower heads. Strength that bulbs need would otherwise go into making of seeds. Do not, however, cut away foilage until completely wilted, for it is necessary for the health of the bulb that it completes growth and dies down.

When tulip flowers begin to get smaller and "widows" appear, single leaves that have no blooms attached, it is time to dig them up and divide them. Dig them carefully with garden fork, clean, sort and put on shallow trays covered with burlap to rest. You'll find dozens of bulblets. Save and set them out in rows along edge of

garden. It will take about three years of growing for them to come into bloom.

In fall replant the adult bulbs. They take a new lease on life.

Which bulbs to buy? The catalogs are full of beauties and choice is limited only by the limitations of your budget. Let me suggest three

oldies that are very dependable, long-lasting, beautiful, and because they are old, more reasonable than most. These are Clara Butt, Reverend Eubank, and the City of Haarlem. They have bloomed for fourteen years in my garden without having to be disturbed and are still large, lovely and healthy.

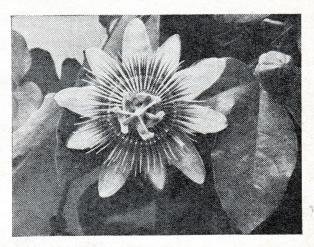
Passiflora-Alato Caerulea

Marjorie Plue

Passiflora (passion vine) is a native of tropical America. It is a twining vine with flowers of intricate beauty which are about four inches in diameter with subtle shadings of pink, blue, purple and white. It is grown extensively in Bermuda by manufacturers who make it into perfume. Tourists buy this to remind them of the flowers' beauty.

When Spaniards first saw it, they were very impressed by its beauty. They saw in it a resemblance to the Crucifixion. The ten petals represent the ten Apostles present at the Crucifixion — Peter, who denied, and Judas, who betrayed, being excluded. The corona, or crown, represents the crown of thorns. The five anthers suggest the five wounds or hammers used to drive the nails.

The flowers are followed by purple fruits which are edible. Since it is not hardy north of Philadelphia, it may be cut back to about 10 inches, placed in a pot and brought inside for winter. It is best to leave a 2 inch space between soil and top of pot. In early winter it requires a period of rest and should be kept on the dry side. Later in winter when new growth begins, it may be given more water. While it is not necessary to repot at this time, it is very helpful to add enough



fresh soil to fill pot.

When weather permits, it may again be placed in garden, setting pot into soil. If plant is set directly into soil, care must be taken in cultivating since the roots grow close to surface. It needs some support to climb. It enjoys a fairly rich soil and will endure some shade.

It may be propagated by rooting tip cuttings in moist sand. Plants may also be started from seeds, and if started early enough in winter will bloom first season. These seedlings require as much sunlight as possible.

There are many varieties of passiflora of various color combinations. All are beautiful and worthwhile. When in bloom, I know of few flowers which attract more attention in a garden.

Pebble Mosaic Tea Tile

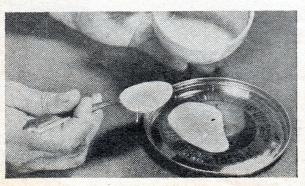
Willard and Elma Waltner

Are you tempted to pick up those smooth pebbles on the beach, along the lake shore or even on your gravel drive? Now you can, with a purpose, and turn them into attractive tea tiles.

It is easier to keep pebbles of different colors separated as you pick them up. Use a small box or paper bag for each color. Pebbles should be no more than ¼ inch thick and at least one side should be fairly flat and smooth. Wash and dry them before using. Lay them out on a table and juggle them around to make a design you like.

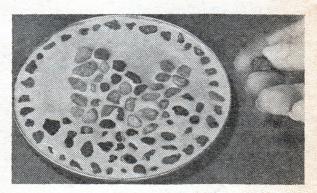
As a base in which to make the tile you will need the tin lid of a coffee can or a 3-pound shortening can. For an interesting free form tile you might use the top of a canned ham container.

Water putty is used as the cement in which the pebble mosaic is set. We used Durham's rock-hard water putty, which is available at lumber-yards and hardware stores. Mix putty with water to consistency of very heavy cream. Spoon it into lid until it is about 1/8 inch in depth (see photograph 1). Smooth off top surface of putty. Place the pebbles in putty smooth side up and side by side as close together as possible.



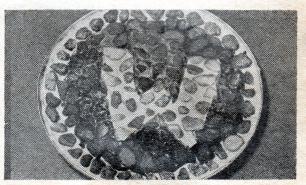
Photograph 1

After main design is in place, fill in rest of lid with contrasting colored pebbles. If design is in light-colored pebbles, surround it with dark ones (photograph 2). You may wish to have an outside border of mottled pebbles. Instead of working out a design, you may want to use different-colored ones in a hit-or-miss fashion. If you do not get them placed to suit you the first time, pick them out, rinse off and blot dry, then set them again.



Photograph 2

The putty will harden in about an hour, holding pebbles firmly in place. After it has hardened you may paint the putty in spaces between the rocks with watercolor if you wish (see photograph 3 of finished tea tile).



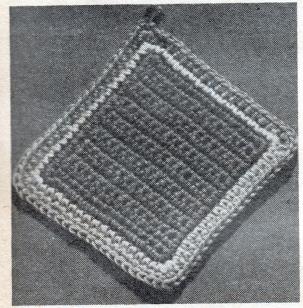
Photograph 3

Square Pan Holder

Pretty pan holders to protect your hands make a useful and attractive decoration for any kitchen. A skein each of spice, turquoise and white American Thread Company "Aunt Lydia's" heavy rug yarn will make 5 pan holders. You will need aluminum crochet hook size H or any size crochet hook which will give 3 single crochet to 1 inch and 3 rows to 1 inch.

Abbreviations:

ch (chain) st (stitch) sc (single crochet)
sl st (slip stitch)



Row 1: With spice, ch 16, sc in second st from hook, sc in each remaining st of ch, ch 1, turn. There are 15 sc.

Row 2: Sc in each sc, ch 1, turn. Repeat row two 13 times, do not turn at end of last row.

Border—Row 1: 3 sc over side of last sc made, * working along side make 1 sc in each of next 13 rows, 3 sc in next corner st, working along next side, 1 sc in each of next 13 sts, 3 sc in next corner st, repeat from * once omitting last 3 sc, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Row 2: With white, 3 sc in any corner sc, * 1 sc in each sc to next corner sc, 3 sc in corner sc, repeat from * around omitting last 3 sc, join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.

Row 3: With turquoise, 2 sc in any corner sc, ch 7, sl st in last sc made for a loop, sc in same corner sc, then work around in same manner as for row 2 of border. Fasten off



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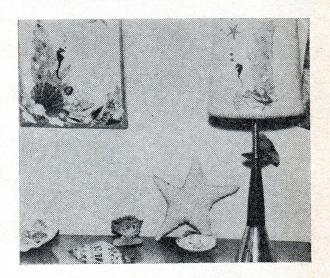
Pat Zanotelli

Have you ever wished for an easy, fun way to add sparkling new color and interest to your home? Then why not try decorating with seashells? The uses you'll find for these beautiful gifts from the sea will be limited only by your imagination.

If you live near the ocean, obtaining shells won't be any problem for a walk on the beach will net you a large variety. Scrub them well with soap and water; boil and clean inside of shell thoroughly. Sometimes vacationing friends will be willing to gather shells for you or any hobby shop carries a good supply of shells which are clean and ready for use.

You'll need a tube of cement (special shellcraft cements are sold at hobby shops), good tweezers, cotton, toothpicks and a supply of tiny beads.

You can brighten a boy's room (and delight a young boy) by decorating his lampshade with a sea horse, complete with tiny "air bubbles" above his head as if he's just swimming by. First cover shade with burlap (a neutral color will best show off the shells and can be used with any color scheme) and firmly cement the edges. Use a plain shade because any pattern would show through when the light is on. With contrasting color yarn work a blanket stitch around top and bottom edges of shade. Arrange sea horse and shells on a table for the finished design. Using tweezers, soak a tuft of cotton in cement, stick to lampshade, then press sea horse into cotton. This holds better and helps give a three-dimensional effect. Don't use too much cotton; you don't want edges to show on finished picture. Glue a few tiny beads above sea horse for air bubbles. Glue other shells in place (using cotton under them, too), let dry and the lampshade is ready for use.



To make a decorative tray, use a large clam shell, sandpaper any rough edges, then paint with gilt paint. Put glue-soaked cotton along upper edge of shell and press tiny shells on edge into the cotton so they look like flower petals. Glue one or two tiny "dewdrop" pearls onto flowers and holder is complete.

Shells can be used on inexpensive straw bags to turn them into gay knitting bags or carryalls. To decorate a straw bag, glue shells in place with cotton under them, then catch heavier ones in place with needle and thread. Next, wrap entire bag with a red net onion or potato bag to signify a fisherman's net. Stitch edges to hold net in place.

Unusual shell pictures of any size can be created and designed to decorate any room in your home. Small framed seashell flower pictures look well in kitchen or bedroom. Big, bold arrangements of shells in a large frame make conversation pieces in living room, den or recreation room. The variety of pictures you can create with shells is endless.

Masonite board, rough side out, makes an inexpensive and interesting textured background for shells. It can be used alone or cut to fit inside a picture frame. You can perhaps paint it sky blue to show off some delicately-colored shell flowers or paint it to blend in with a room color. Burlap of any color can be wrapped around Masonite board and framed to provide a background.

When making a framed picture, glue all shells to outside of glass to provide an illusion of depth. Shellacking shells when picture is completed will bring out their natural beauty and color.

Shellcraft projects are interesting and easy to do. Besides using them to brighten your own home, they make welcome gifts for friends. Many people find a ready market for shellcraft items they decide to sell. Once you start working with shells, you'll discover for yourself why this is one of the most popular and enjoyable of the major crafts today.

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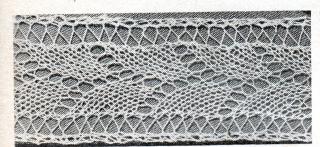
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p (purl) psso (pass slipped
st (stitch) stitch over)
sl (slip) O (yarn over)

Starting at narrow edge, cast on 18 sts.

Row 1: K 1, sl 1, k 1, psso, O, k 2 tog, k 2, O, k 1, O, k 5, sl 1, k 1, psso, O, k 2 tog, k 1.

Row 2 and all even rows: K 2, O, sl 1, k 1, psso, p 10, p 2 tog, O, k 2. Row 3: K 1, sl 1, k 1, psso, O, k 2 tog, k 1, O, k 3, O, k 4, sl 1, k 1,

psso, O, k 2 tog, k 1.

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Row 7: K 1, sl 1, k 1, psso, O, k 2 tog, k 5, O, k 1, O, k 2, sl 1, k 1, psso, O, k 2 tog, k 1.

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Row 11: K 1, sl 1, k 1, psso, O, k 2 tog, k 3, O, k 5, O, sl 1, k 1, psso, O, k 2 tog, k 1.

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ds (double stitch)
p (picot)
cl r (close ring)

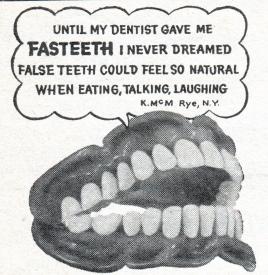
sep (separated) rw (reverse work) ch (chain) rnd (round)



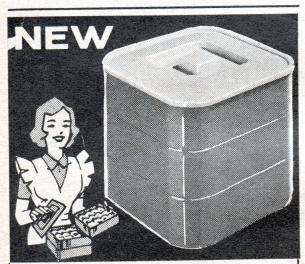
Rnd 1: * R of 6 ds, p, 6 ds, cl r, rw. With ball and shuttle thread, ch 4 ds, join in edge of handkerchief, 4 ds, leave ½ inch space on handkerchief, join in edge, 4 ds, rw. R of 6 ds, join in p of last r, 6 ds, cl r, rw. Ch 4 ds, join in handkerchief edge, 4 ds, leave ½ inch space, join in edge, 4 ds, rw. Repeat from * around, join last ch at base of first r. Tie and cut threads.

Rnd 2: * R of 6 ds, join in next p joining of rs, 6 ds, cl r, rw. Ch 4 ds, 2 p sep by 4 ds, 4 ds, rw. R of 6 ds, join in same p joining with last r, 6 ds, rw. Ch 4 ds, 2 p sep by 4 ds, 4 ds, rw. Repeat from * around, join last ch at base of first r. Tie and cut threads.

Rnd 3: Join ball and shuttle threads in first p, ch 5 ds, join in next p of same ch, * ch 5 ds, 2 p sep by 5 ds, 5 ds, skip one ch, join in first p of next ch (the ch over cloverleaf), ch 5 ds, join in next p of same ch. Repeat from * around, join at base of first ch. Tie and cut threads.



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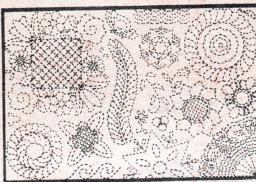
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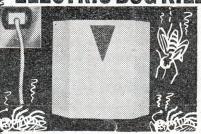
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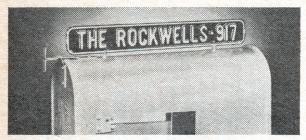
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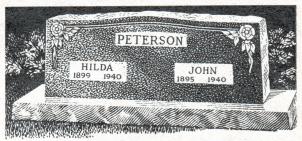
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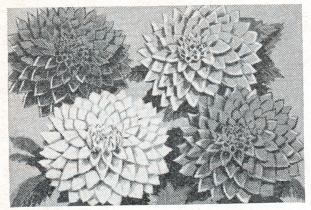


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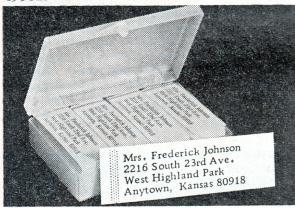


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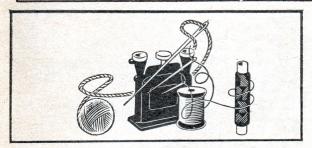


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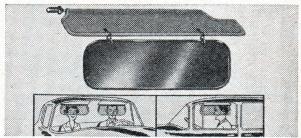


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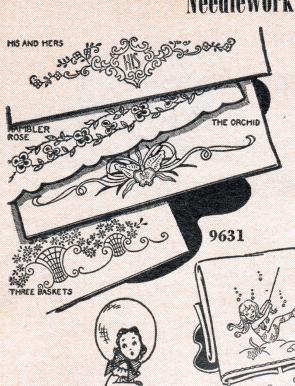
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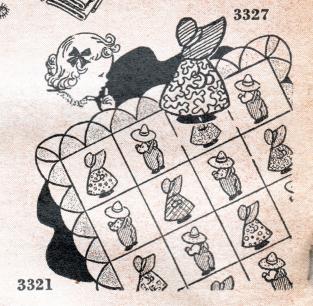
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